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Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. (Previously Presented) A slimming composition for administration by the oral route, comprising:
 - a combination of conjugated linoleic acid and caffeine as active ingredient, and
 - an acceptable carrier for administration by the oral route,

in which the conjugated linoleic acid/caffeine mass ratio is between 1 and 15.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that wherein the conjugated linoleic acid/caffeine mass ratio is between 1 and 6.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in claim 1[[or 2]], characterized in that wherein it additionally contains lecithin and colloidal silica.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in any one of claim[[s]] 1[[to 3]], characterized in that wherein it additionally contains a green coffee extract, and/or chromium chloride.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in any one of claim[[s]] 1[[to 4]], characterized in that wherein it is provided in powdered form or in liquid form.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that wherein it is provided in the form of soluble coffee.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in any one of claim[[s]] 1[[to 4]], characterized in that wherein it is provided in the form of tablets, gelatin capsules, capsules or sachets of powder.

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8. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that wherein it contains:

| spray-dried coffee (containing 60 mg of caffeine): | |
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| | 2390 mg |
| conjugated linoleic acid: | 310 mg |
| lecithin: | 30 mg |
| green coffee extract (containing 5% by weight of caffeine): | |
| | 240 mg |
| chromium chloride (containing 12.5 µg of chromium): | |
| | 0.064 mg |
| colloidal silica: | 30 mg |

- 9. (Currently Amended) The composition as claimed in any one of claim[[s]] 1[[to 8]], as a dietary supplement, a dietetic composition or a cosmetic composition.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The use of the composition as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 9, for A method for increasing weight loss in a person comprising administering to said person by oral route the composition as claimed in claim 1.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The use of the composition as claimed in any one of claims

1 to 8, for the preparation of a medicament intended to treat or prevent obesity A method for

treating or preventing obesity in a patient comprising administration to said patient by oral route

the composition as claimed in claim 1.